



**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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| Application Number | 09/987,361 |
| Confirmation Number | 6936 |
| Filing Date | November 14, 2001 |
| First Named Inventor | Sadato AKAHORI |
| Group Art Unit | 2623 |
| Examiner Name | Ashutosh Upreti |
| Matter Number | Q67246 |
| Title | MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
September 30, 2005 and the substitute Amendment Under 1.116 filed on
previously filed on October 17, 2005
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ Months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below:
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SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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Signature  Date October 31, 2005